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As the week began, prices were lower on all sizes except in New York where prices were unchanged. As the week progressed prices were unchanged on all sizes in all locations. The trade sentiment was about steady to steady on the larger sizes and steady to instances fully steady on mediums. Demand into all channels was light to moderate. Supplies were sufficient to ample. Breaking stock prices were unchanged while checks and undergrade prices were slightly lower. Demand was reported as improving. Offerings were light. Schedules were mixed, varying plant to plant. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Spent hen removal costs were irregular. Offerings were balanced to fully adequate with a moderate demand. Schedules were full-time. The trade sentiment was steady. Removal prices were 0-7, mostly 5.5-7 cents per head.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were 4 cents higher for mediums. All other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was about steady for the larger sizes and steady to at times fully steady for mediums. Cartoned egg sales were light to moderate and food service demand was light. Supplies were fully adequate to ample for all sizes. Central States breaking stock prices ranged unchanged to 1 cent higher with checks and undergrades unchanged. Offerings were light. Demand was reported as improving. Schedules were mixed from plant to plant. Trade sentiment mostly steady.

	RANGE	MOSILY
EXTRA LARGE	54-63	57-60
LARGE	53-62	55-58
MEDIUM	41-50	43-46
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 ${\sf MIDWEST\,AREA:\,IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV,}$

Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices remained unchanged. Trade sentiment was somewhat steadier. Retail and distributive demand ranged light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to ample for full trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were about sufficient to sufficient for the light demand. Spent hens were usually adequate for processing needs.

	RANGE	MOSILY
EXTRA LARGE	63-77	66-69
LARGE	58-72	65-67
MEDIUM	49-62	54-56

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ,

Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

COMBINED REGIONAL

Jan 13, 2006

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, White eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	
NORTHEAST	78.50	78.00	57.00	
SOUTHEAST	80.50	78.50	57.00	
MIDWEST	72.50	70.50	48.50	
SOUTH CENTRAL	79.50	77.50	55.50	
COMBINED REGIONAL	77.79	76.14	54.48	
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Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

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WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- JANUARY 16, 2006
STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

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	NI.		NO	SO	SO	Daaitia	5-Area
	NO	ortheast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	9.6	17.6	7.2	15.6	9.1	59.1
	Change	-0.1	2.8	8.0	1.8	1.1	12%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	28.5	62.9	13.0	27.7	36.2	168.3
J	Change	4.0	-4.0	-5.2	6.7	-4.2	-2%
Large	Curr Wk	38.4	138.0	60.9	91.9	96.7	425.9
	Change	4.9	9.4	-7.9	13.8	-3.2	4%
Medium	Curr Wk	12.7	53.9	11.2	19.1	25.7	122.6
	Change	-0.8	-12.4	8.0	4.7	-1.7	-7%
Small	Curr Wk	7.5	10.1	4.7	2.9	7.9	33.1
	Change	-0.3	-2.6	4.0	-0.2	8.0	5%
Misc	Curr Wk	2.9	28.8	8.3	13.3	4.7	58.0
	Change	-0.5	-4.1	0.7	-0.4	0.2	-7%
Ungraded	d Curr Wk	14.3	51.5	24.5	29.8	35.0	155.1
	Change	1.1	2.3	-1.8	-3.9	5.3	2%
Total	Curr Wk	113.9	362.8	129.8	200.3	215.3	1022.1
Percent	Change	8%	-2%	-6%	13%	-1%	1%

TOTAL			Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg Shell Egg Breaking Stock	1,022.1 222.7	1% -8%	169 35
Total Shell Egg	1.244.8	-1%	204

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 169 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday a.m. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

EGGS F	PROCESSED U	NDER FEDE	ERAL INSP	PECTION -	W/E 14-J	AN-06			
(LBS IN THOUSANDS)									
	(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)								
	CASES	LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INEC			
	BROKEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK					
CW	1,317,037	31,203	12,634	7,159	3,209	4,603			
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(EXCLUDES INGREDIEN IS)								
	C	ASES	LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INED	
	BRO	OKEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK			
CW	1,317	7,037	31,203	12,634	7,159	3,209	4,603	
PW	1,193	3,910	30,200	10,781	5,867	2,696	4,031	
LY	1,248	3,943	29,882	12,296	6,559	3,559	4,437	
% Chg P	WK	10%	3%	17%	22%	19%	14%	
% Chg L\	Y	5%	4%	3%	9%	-10%	4%	
2006	2,510),947	61,403	23,415	13,026	5,905	8,635	
2005	2,537	7,694	60,624	24,788	13,309	6,955	8,998	
% Chg Y	TD	-1%	1%	-6%	-2%	-15%	-4%	
Average	Yield I	Per Ca	se -	Curre	nt Pre	vious	Last	
				Wee	ek	Week	Year	
(Inedible	Includ	ed)		42.2	42.22		42.58	
(Inedible	Exclud	ded)		38.7	72	39.24	39.02	

IN-LINE PRODUCTION (of total production; lbs. in thousands; may include limited amount of off-line source material)

	CASES	BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE		
	Cases	% of Total	Lbs.	% of Total	
CURRENT WEEK	584,682	44.4%	15,656	50.2%	
PREVIOUS WEEK	554,062	46.4%	15,412	51.0%	
LAST YEAR	495,635	39.7%	12,882	43.1%	

Project Eags Set in

Broiler Chicks Blaced

BROILER HATCHERY

	Broiler Eggs Set in		Broiler Chicks Placed			
	19 Select	ed States	in 19 Sele	cted States		
STATE	JAN 07	JAN 14	JAN 07	JAN 14		
		Thousa	and	ıd		
AL	31,596	31,689	21,671	20,893		
AR	31,308	31,096	23,997	24,842		
DE	3,945	3,970	6,131	5,909		
FL	1,379	1,343	*1,587	1,526		
GA	*34,046	33,720	*27,421	27,276		
KY	7,041	7,267	6,238	5,873		
LA	4,136	4,136	4,140	3,733		
MD	8,873	8,933	4,901	5,354		
MS	18,597	18,583	16,528	16,456		
NC	*18,962	17,949	*15,434	14,915		
OK	6,684	6,587	5,399	4,783		
PA	*3,704	3,941	*2,788	2,809		
SC	5,239	5,202	4,197	4,752		
TX	15,125	15,132	12,739	12,828		
VA	*6,418	6,437	*5,418	4,785		
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,187	17,060	*16,492	15,575		
19 State Total	*214,240	213,045	*175,081	172,309		
Previous Year Total	210,232	209,544	173,466	173,733		
Pct. of Prev. Year * Revised	102	102	101	99		

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 25-Feb-06 is estimated at 160.1 million head. This compares to 160.7 million head the previous week and to 163.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 158.3 million head and the composite weighted average price was 71.47 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 01/12/06-01/18/06 CURRENT LDS 67.75 FUTURE LDS 42.00 TOTAL LDS 109.75

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I		SE		N	NE		IW	
I	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
I	GNR W 1	41.00	43.00	41.25	43.20	_	_	6.00
I	GNR W 3	_	_	_	_	27.00	30.00	1.00
I	GL W J	_	_	57.67	59.33	_	_	3.00
I	GL W XL	50.67	53.00	47.22	52.92	44.18	47.50	43.00
I	GL W LG	_	_	40.18	50.00	41.88	_	17.75
I	GL W MD	49.00	41.17	43.50	44.50	36.62	_	16.50
I	GL W SM	32.00	35.00	34.00	37.50	34.00	_	3.00
I	GL BR XL		_	_	_	87.00	_	.50
I	GL BR LG	_	_	_	_	86.00	_	1.00
I	NRBS - 48	_	_	_	_	_	33.00	44.00
I	NRBS - 36		_	_		13.50	15.00	2.00
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MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO	RETAIL CHAN	NELS W	/E 14-JAN	-2006
SELECTED	CW	PW	PCT	CHG
CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSAND	S	PW	LY
Atlanta	26.0	26.0	0	-13
Boston	3.3	2.9	14	-6
Chicago	88.1	83.1	6	21
Detroit	28.2	33.0	-15	19
Kansas City	4.3	4.1	5	-2
Los Angeles	114.4	109.7	4	9
New Orleans	6.9	5.9	17	-4
New York	32.7	30.9	6	-7
St. Louis	19.1	17.6	9	-2
San Francisco	19.4	19.1	2	-6
Total	342.4	332.3	3	6
4 Week Moving Avg.	348.5			

<u>LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED</u> W/E 14-JAN-06						
	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL	
	HENS	TOMS	BREEI	DERS	TURKEYS	
		THOU	SANDS			
Head	1,687	2,439	31	4	4,161	
Avg Wt	15.95	39.38	26.22	30.20	29.77	
Last week	1,308	1,966	15	12	3,301	
Same wk yr ago	1,647	2,507	46	5	4,205	
Avg Wt	16.43	39.59	25.35	34.37	28.82	
To-date/2006	2,995	4,405	46	16	7,462	
To-date/2005	3,268	5,054	79	18	8,419	

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS Week ending 14-JAN-06

(Preliminary) (Released 1:00 Eastern Time)

YC	YOUNG TURKEYS				TOTAL T	URKEYS
THOU	SAND P	CT CH	G AVG	BANDED		AVG
	HEAD	PW	LIVE WT	-THOUSAN	D HEAD-	LIVE WT
North East	747	55	24.56	(A)	748	24.56
South Atlantic	612	74	34.90	(A)	613	34.90
North Central	1,933	17	34.37	(A)	1,934	34.37
South Central	668	14	18.86	(A)	669	18.86
West	197	-11	25.42	(A)	197	25.42
U.S. total	4,157(B)	26	29.77	4	4,161	29.77
To-date						
2006	7,446(B)			16	7,462	
To-date						
2005	8,401(B)			18	8,419	
To-date	, ()				,	

- (A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
- (B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 31,000: for the current year to date 46,000; for last year to date 79,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION (Preliminary)						
W/E 14-JAN-2005	5 YOUNG	LIGHT	HEAVY	TOTAL		
	CHICKENS	HENS	HENS	HENS	DUCKS	
		THC	USANDS	3		
Head	167,302	1,487	1,349	2,836	470	
Avg Wt	5.35	3.34	7.90	5.51	6.63	
Last week	150,026	1,275	1,400	2,675	495	
Same wk yr ago	159,418	1,625	1,219	2,844	516	
Avg Wt	5.25	3.39	8.08	5.40	6.77	
To-date/2006	317,328	2,762	2,749	5,511	965	
To-date/2005	319,681	3,096	2,702	5,798	1,066	
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(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 160.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 169.3 million head, or 8.9 million more than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 21-Jan-06 Current Week Previous Week 01/21/06(1) 01/14/06 CLASS -THOUSAND HEAD -Broiler/fryer 160,366(2) 154,042 Light hens 1,513 1,578 Heavy hens 1,316 1,426 Total 163,305 156,936

(1)ESTIMATED (2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 21-Jan-06 is 156.5 million head compared to 151.2 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 160.7 million head or 4.2 million more than estimated available. For the week of 28-Jan-06 the estimated available is 160.4 million head.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/ FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON

	MILLI	ON HEAD	MILLION HE	EAD	
WEEK ENDING	SLAU	GHTERED	AVAILABLE	PCT /	AVG WT
December	10	163.9	158.5	103%	5.46
	17	166.3	157.9	105%	5.37
	24	153.5	155.4	99%	5.43
	31	143.7	154.6	93%	5.35
January	7	151.8	156.5	97%	5.38
	14	169.3	160.4	106%	5.35
Year to date		321.1	316.9	101%	
January	21		162.4		
	28		164.5		

<u>FINAL BROILER/FRYER</u> Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 16-JAN-2006 (cents per lb)

U.S. GRADE A					COMPOSITE
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS		WTD AVG LDS
Chicago	52.00-55.00	55.85	39	:	57.37 72
Los Angeles	77.00	74.96	54	:	68.87 141
New York	55.00-58.00	56.87	23	:	60.27 56

COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

<u> </u>	Change from		TO BROILLIVI RILIO
16-JAN-2006	09-JAN-2006	09-JAN-2006	17-JAN-2005
63.21	18	63.39	72.05
NUMBER OF LO	DADS 564		

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB. DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10.000 LB LOTS)

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CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/			WTD	LBS
8-16 LB HENS	OFFERS	SALES	AVG	(000)
EASTERN REGION 3/	66-68	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	66-68	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	66-69	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	66-68	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	66-68	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

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COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - Selected Centers

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

WESTERN REGION

	F	rozen Egg	ıs/LBS	Turkeys/l	LBS	Processed Poultry	
AM	01/16/06			40,9		65,3	
AM	01/01/06	3,4	10	31,7	72	67,3	392
CHG			15	92	13	-20)18
PCT (CHG	0	%	29)%	-;	3%

HEN MARKETS

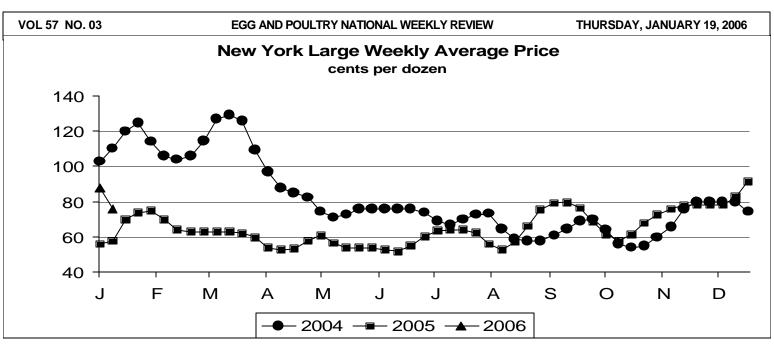
HEAVY TYPE (7 pounds and up)* Final Price, Generally for slaughter the week of 16-JAN-06 WTD **REGIONS MAJORITY** AVG RANGE Southeast (1) 9.75-15 CENTS/LB. 12.15 11-13 Southeast (2) TFEWR South Central(1) 9-15.5 CENTS/LB. 11-13 12.10 (1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading *Weights under 7 lbs. subject to discount.

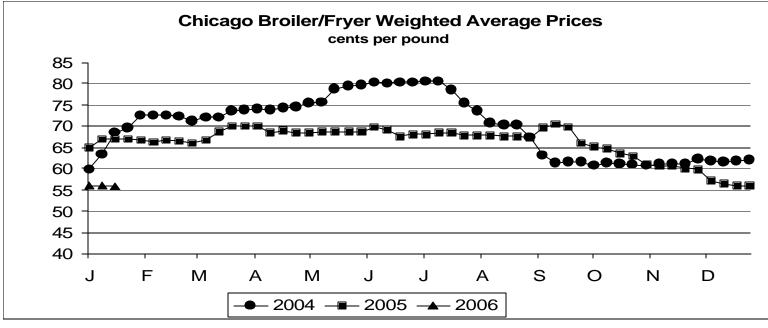
<u>LIGHT TYPE</u> Cents per head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds)

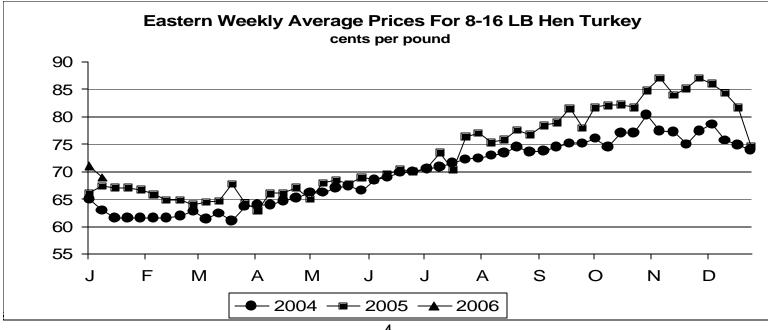
13-JAN-06	REMOVAL	COST
REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern	3-11	6.5-9.5
South Central	Too Few To Report	
North Central	0-7	5 5-7

COMMERCIAL EGO	<u>MOVEMENT</u>	(Receipts From Producers)			
W/E 14-JAN-2006	CASES	PERCENT	CHANGE FROM		
REGIONS	(IN THOUS)	PW	LY		
North Atlantic	210.2	-3	-1		
East North Central	628.8	10	1		
West North Centra	I 306.6	9	5		
South Atlantic	198.1	-2	-10		
South Central	63.7	5	-9		
West	201.0	0	2		
Total	1604.1	5	0		
Matched Plants rep	porting	84	84		

Areas Covered: North Atlantic (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MC,DE)
East North Central (WI,IL,MI,OH,IN) West North Central (IA,MN,MO,KS,SD)
South Atlantic (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY) South Central (TN,AL,AR,MS,OK)
West (CA,CO,WA,OR,UT)







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